COVID-19 Update - 05/11/2020

Hi all-

I hope everyone had a great weekend and a special Mother's Day! It's going to be a really short update tonight as we have a lot of items "in-process" but nothing final to report yet.

In process for this week specific to COVID-19 are protocols for the staged return of staff to the various worksites, testing protocols for the new ID NOW machine, and finalizing roll-out of our hazard pay plan.

On Thursday of this week, Governor Little will provide a statewide update on COVID-19 efforts and address how that will influence moving to the next phase of reopening businesses. At this point, it appears we're on track to move to Stage 2. To date, Idaho has 2,260 confirmed cases of COVID-19 and 70 fatalities attributed to complications from COVID-19. What is encouraging is how a spike in new cases hasn't emerged, and 14 confirmed or probable cases were reported today. For our system, we remain at 40 tests on people in our custody and all have returned negative. In Texas, an 8th person was tested and we're awaiting results of that test.

We've been fortunate, but that outcome is largely the product of the preparation and effort all of you have put into protecting yourselves, each other and the people in our custody. Keep it up!

Thanks again for all you do!

Thanks-Josh